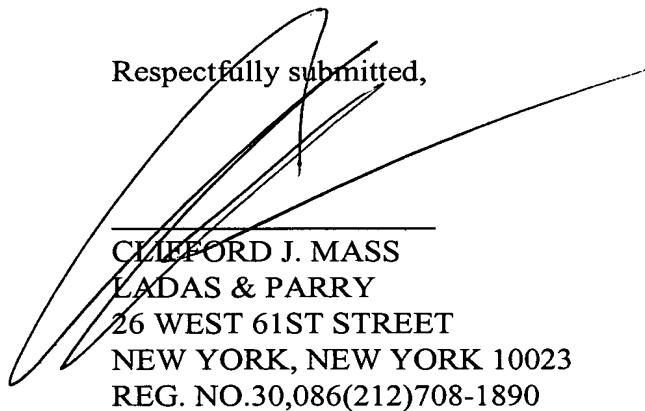


REMARKS

The above amendment to independent claim 66 is requested so that the language of this claim more closely comports with the description in the paragraph bridging pages 2-3 of the specification, which refers to the "directional component" of the recited portions. The language of independent claim 45 has not been changed such that the respective claims define the claimed subject matter more completely.

An early and favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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